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Japanese Document No. 50-131121 listed as Item AG on the present PTO Form 1449 discloses a forging aluminum alloy flange (a), in which a fiber flow (6) in an end face (4) of a hub (1) is set to conform to a fiber flow (7) of an aluminum alloy pipe (e) welded with the end face (4). The fiber flow (6) of the hub (1) is not exposed on a surface of the hub (1).

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